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TO ALL DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR POSTS PRIORITY

INFO JCS FOR RELAY TO AIG 7029

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (ADDRESSEE)

INFORM CONSULATES AS REQUIRED

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS

SUBJECT: JCS EXERCISE PRIME RATE 75

1. THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF WILL CONDUCT A BIENNIAL  
WORLDWIDE PROCEDURAL GENERAL WAR COMMAND POST EXERCISE  
(CPX), NICKNAMED PRIME RATE 75 DURING THE PERIOD MARCH 3-  
14, 1975. EXERCISE PRIME RATE WILL INTERFACE WITH NATO  
EXERCISE WINTEX 75, SCHEDULED FROM MARCH 5-14. THE  
BROAD OBJECTIVES OF THESE EXERCISES ARE TO EXERCISE  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, CIVILIAN AND MILITARY STAFFS, AND  
APPROPRIATE PLANS AND PROCEDURES, DURING A SIMULATED  
RAPIDLY ESCALATING INTERNATIONAL CRISIS SITUATION,  
CULMINATING IN A STRATEGIC NUCLEAR EXCHANGE.

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2. IN VIEW OF THE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS AND SENSITIVITY OF SIMULATED OPERATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED, EXERCISE PUBLICITY WILL BE HELD TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM. THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PUBLIC AFFAIRS) WILL BE THE SOLE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR NEWS RELEASES CONCERNING THE EXERCISES. IF QUERIES ARE RECEIVED, THE OSD (PA) RESPONSE WILL EMPHASIZE THE ROUTINE, PERIODIC NATURE OF LOCAL AND WORLDWIDE EXERCISES IN THE JCS-SPONSORED CPX PROGRAMS.

3. THERE WILL BE NO PARTICIPATION BY DEPARTMENT OF STATE POSTS ABROAD EXCEPT FOR USNATO IN CONNECTION WITH WINTEX 75. IF POSTS ABROAD INADVERTENTLY RECEIVE EXERCISE TELEGRAMS FROM ANY SOURCE CONCERNING PRIME RATE 75 OR WINTEX 75, NO RESPONSE SHOULD BE MADE, AND THE TELEGRAM DISREGARDED. EXERCISE TELEGRAMS ARE TO BE IDENTIFIED BY THE FLAG WORDS QUOTE EXERCISE PRIME RATE OR EXERCISE

WINTEX UNQUOTE AT THE BEGINNING AND END OF TEXT.

4. INFO ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO INSURE THAT NO REPEAT NO EXERCISE MESSAGES ARE SENT TO DIPLOMATIC POSTS OR MISSIONS ABROAD. INGERSOLL

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